

## **SPEAKERS BIOGRAPHIES**

### **1. Ms. Lebogang Mulaisi**

Lebogang Mulaisi is the Labour Market Policy Coordinator at COSATU, where she coordinates the implementation of COSATU's labour market policy and work on the just transition to a low carbon economy. She is an EXCO and MANCO member at the National Economic Development and Labour Council (NEDLAC) and represents organised labour in the labour market chamber of NEDLAC. She currently serves as a commissioner on the Presidential Climate Change Coordinating Commission.

### **2. Mr. Mcebisi Jonas**

Mcebisi Hubert Jonas was born in 1960 in Uitenhage in the Eastern Cape. Mr. Jonas became involved in anti-apartheid politics from the age of 14, and was active in ANC underground structures as well as being in exile in Angola and Uganda. Upon his return to South Africa in the 1990's, he was instrumental in establishing ANC structures in the Eastern Cape. He played a key role in setting up the new Provincial administration in the Eastern Cape, and served the ANC government in various positions, including as a Member of the Executive Council in the Eastern Cape, before being elected as a Member of the National Assembly and appointed Deputy Minister of Finance in 2014. Mr. Jonas was one of the early whistle-blowers about improper influence and corruption by the Gupta family, leading to his removal as the Deputy Minister of Finance in March 2017. He has been active in business and civil society organisations, and is currently Chairman of MTN. Mcebisi Jonas is one of four Presidential Investment Envoys, appointed by President Cyril Ramaphosa in 2019 to attract investment into South Africa.

### 3. Mr. Gaylor Montmasson-Clair

Gaylor Montmasson-Clair is a Senior Economist at Trade & Industrial Policy Strategies (TIPS). He leads TIPS's work on Sustainable Growth. Gaylor is also a Research Associate at the University of Johannesburg's Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED). He holds two Master's degree, respectively in International Affairs from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po) of Grenoble, France, and in Energy and Environment Economics from the Grenoble Faculty of Economics, France. Gaylor has been working on green economy issues for more than 12 years and has undertaken extensive research on the transition to an inclusive green economy from a developing country perspective, with a focus on policy frameworks, industrial development, just transition and resource security. Prior to TIPS, Gaylor worked at the French Ministry of Economy and Finance as well as the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).